FACILITIES IN KINGS CANYON PARK & USFS

Grant Grove Area

GRANT GROVE VILLAGE

6600' (2008 m) elevation. This was originally General Grant National Park, created in 1890 to protect sequoias from logging. Here you can see both a pristine grove & one that was logged in the 1800s.

INFORMATION

• Kings Canyon Park Visitor Center (NPS): Daily 8am-6pm through 9/2, then 8am-5pm. Exhibits & 15-minute movie in English and Spanish. Books, maps, first aid, bear canisters. Local wilderness permits issued until 1/2 hour before closing. 1-559-565-4307.

FOOD & SHOPS (KCPS)

- Restaurant: Daily 7am-2pm & 5-9pm through 9/2, then 8am-2pm, 5-7pm (Fridays & Saturdays until 8pm).
- Gift Shop, Market: Daily 8am-9pm through 9/2, then 9am-7pm (Fridays & Saturdays until 8pm). Souvenirs, film, clothing, ATM. Market sells food and other supplies, sandwiches, bear canisters, emergency gas.

OTHER SERVICES

- Camping & Lodging: See page 10-11. Hotel desk 7am-midnight.
- Showers (KCPS): 11am 4pm. Ask at registration desk.
- Post Office: Hours may change without notice. Monday-Friday 9am -4pm; Saturday 10 -noon. Lobby open 24 hours. Send mail for visitors to: c/o General Delivery, Kings Canyon NP, CA 93633. 1-559-335-2499.
- Pay Telephones: Available 24 hours at Kings Canyon Visitor Center (booth by front door); & outside gift shop, market, & post office.
- Picnicking & Horseback Riding: See page 3 & the map on page 12.

In the Kings Canyon

4600' (1410 m) elevation. This glaciated valley features towering granite cliffs, tumbling waterfalls, and the powerful Kings River — "a rival to the Yosemite," according to John Muir.

INFORMATION & CAMPING (NPS)

- Cedar Grove Visitor Center: Daily 9am-5pm through Sunday, 9/16, then intermittent hours through 9/30; check locally. I-559-565-3793.
- Wilderness permits (\$15): At Road's End, 6 miles (9.6 km) east of the village, 7am-3pm daily through mid-September, then self-registration. No permits issued after 2:45pm.
- Camping (NPS): Details on page II.

FOOD, LODGING, SHOPS, & OTHER SERVICES (KCPS) Open mid-May through Saturday, October 13.

- **Restaurant**: Counter-service meals (not a full-service restaurant). Daily 7am-2pm & 5-9pm through 9/2, then weekdays 8am-10:30am & 5-7pm, Saturday/Sunday 8am-2pm & 5-7pm. Picnic supplies at market.
- Gift Shop & Market: Salads, sandwiches, supplies, bear canisters, souvenirs, film. Daily 7am-9pm through 9/2, then 8am-7pm.
- Lodging: Open daily (last night 10/13). Page 10 has details.
- Showers & Laundry: Daily. 7am-1pm & 3-7pm through 9/2, then 8am-ıpm & 3-6pm. Last laundry load in by I hour before closing.
- Picnicking & Horseback Riding: See page 3 & the page-12 map.
- Pay Telephones: Outside visitor center & restaurant/market.

CELEBRATE SEQUOIAS!

Join us on Saturday, September 8 for the 9th Annual Celebrate Sequoias Festival. Enjoy walks, music, kid's activities and crafts at Princess Campground in Sequoia National Forest.

USFS: National Forest & Monument

HUME LAKE & BIG MEADOWS AREAS (FS)

Giant Sequoia National Monument, part of Sequoia National Forest, borders much of the western edge of these National Parks. You are in National Forest when you drive between the park areas of Lodgepole and Grant Grove, and between Grant Grove and Cedar Grove (see page 2 for more on Parks and Forests). It was sold to the government as a Forest Reserve in 1935. It is an excellent place to see sequoias recovering from intensive logging in the late 1800s.

PAY TELEPHONES

- Between Wuksachi Village & Grant Grove: Summer only at Stony Creek Resort & Big Meadows trailhead.
- Between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove: Hume Lake (year round); Kings Canyon Resort (summer only).

INFORMATION

• USFS Hume Lake District Office (FS): 35860 Kings Canyon Road (Hwy 180) in Dunlap, 19 miles (31 km) west of Kings Canyon Park entrance at Big Stump. Weekdays 8am- 4:30pm & Saturday, 9/2. Maps & books sold. 1-559-338-2251; www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia.

OTHER SERVICES

- Camping (FS) & Lodging (private): See pages 10 & 11 for details.
- Picnic Areas & Horseback Riding: See page 3 & the map.
- Boyden Cavern: On Hwy 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. Tours on the hour 10am-5pm. \$11 ages 14 & up; \$6 ages 3-13; under 3 free. AAA discounts. 209-736-2708.
- Stony Creek Village (FS): On Generals Highway between Grant Grove & Lodgepole; through 10/9. Lodging. Restaurant 11am-2pm & 4-8pm (9pm Friday-Saturday) through 9/2, then 4-7pm (8pm Friday-Saturday). Market 7am-8pm Sunday-Thursday (9pm Friday-Saturday) through 9/2, then 8am-7pm (8pm Saturday-Sunday). Showers 9am-6pm through 9/2, then 9am-4pm. Gasoline 24 hours with credit card. 1-866-KCANYON; 1-559-565-3909.
- Montecito Lake Resort (FS): A permitted resort on public land open all year. On Generals Highway 9 miles (14.5km) south of Grant Grove. Breakfast 7:30-9am, lunch 12-1:30pm, dinner 5:30-7pm. Cabins, hotel, children's activities. 1-800-227-9900 or 559-565-3388.
- Big Meadows Cabin Historic guard station (FS): Details page 10.
- Boat & Bicycle Rentals, Swimming, Fishing: Private facilities open to public at Hume Lake, 8 miles (13km) north of Grant Grove on Hwy 180 then 3 miles (5 km) south on Hume Lake Road. 24-hour laundry (coin operated) & gas station (with credit card). Market open Sunday-Thursday 7am- 11pm; Friday 7am- 9pm; Saturday 7am -7pm through 9/2, then daily 8am-5pm. Snack shop 11am-11pm. 1-559-335-2000.

GASOLINE SALES

At Hume Lake, Stony Creek, and Kings Canyon Lodge. See page 5, Rules of the Road - Finding Gasoline for hours.

FREE NATURE PROGRAMS

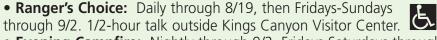
Check bulletin boards and visitor centers for schedules and additional activities. Note: No programs available on August 23.

IN THE KINGS CANYON & CEDAR GROVE

- Zumwalt Meadow Walk: Daily through Monday, 9/3, then Fridays & Saturdays through 9/16. Join us in exploring the natural and cultural wonders of the canyon. Meet at the Zumwalt parking lot.1-1/2 hours, 1-1/2 miles.
- Weekend Evening Campfires: Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays through 9/2, then Fridays & Saturdays through 9/15. Enjoy an hour together at the amphitheater near the visitor center.

IN GRANT GROVE

• **Grant Tree Walk:** Daily through 9/3, then weekends through September. Stroll this paved trail beneath the giant trees. Meet at Grant Tree parking lot. 1 hour, 1/3 mile.



• Evening Campfire: Nightly through 9/2, Fridays-Saturdays through September. Meet under the stars and learn about these parks. Meet at campground amphitheater.

